BACKGROUND:

The intent of the Public Lands
Highway (PLH) Discretionary
Program is to improve access to and
within the Federal lands of the
nation. The funding source for the
program is the Highway Trust Fund.
The Transportation Equity Act for
the 21st Century (TEA-21, Public
Law 105-178), has continued the
program through FY 2003.



PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY:

Any public road that provides access to, is adjacent to, or is within Federal lands (such as military installations) is eligible. The road must be under the jurisdiction of and maintained by a public authority and open to public travel. This can include military installation roads.

Public Lands Highway Discretionary Program

Improving access to and within the Nation's Federal lands

STATUTORY REFERENCES:

23 U.S.C. 202, 203 & 204; TEA-21 Section 1101(a)(8)(B)



FUNDING:

Approximately \$70 million per year is available for candidate projects for each of fiscal years 2001- 2003. The Federal share of the costs for any project eligible under this program is 100%.



PROJECT ELIGIBILITY:

PLH funds are available for transportation planning, research, engineering, and construction of the highways, roads, and parkways, or transit facilities that provide access to, are adjacent to, or are within the Federal public lands.





APPLICATION PROCESS:

- If you believe your projects are eligible for PLH funding, contact MTMCTEA.
- MTMCTEA will:
 - Assist installations in application preparation.
 - Provide all necessary coordination with the State transportation department to increase priority of projects.
 - Submit the final application package to the State transportation department.
 - Ensure visibility of the candidate projects at the highest level in Federal Highway

 Administration
- State Transportation Agencies are the only agencies that can submit candidate projects to the Federal Highway Administration.
 All States are eligible to apply for PLH funding.
- Only candidate projects that can be obligated in the respective fiscal year should be submitted.
- The project selection is discretionary. Project selection is made by the FHWA Administrator within available funding.

We are available to assist you!

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MTMCTEA administers the Highways for National Defense (HND) Program. This program ensures that DOD public highway requirements are being met.

The HND mission is to help installations solve their onand off-installation highway problems.



